

Amendments to the Claims:

Claim 1 (original)

Claim 2 (original)

Claim 3 (currently amended)      The apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the third [place] plate tee-receiving recess is configured to receive and maintain the tee in a vertical condition substantially parallel to the position of the support members.

Claim 4 (original)

Claim 5 (original)

Claim 6 (original)

Claim 7 (original)

Claim 8 (original)

Claim 9 (original)

Claim 10 (original)

Claim 11 (currently amended)      The apparatus as claimed in claim 9 further comprising: a notch in the elongated shaft first [end] and sufficient in size to snugly receive a tee lying flat on the playing surface and retain it as it raised from the playing surface.